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FOR A. S. FRIEDMAN FROM HENOC

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: TECH, JA

SUBJECT: JRR-2 DIAPHRAM VALVES FAILURE

REF. AEC#0693 30 DEC 74

1. ASST. AEC SCIREP TOLD JAERI OF AMES LABORATORY RESEARCH REACTOR OPERATIONAL OCCURRENCE WITH RUBBER DIAPHRAM VALVES AND ASKED FOR INFORMATION REGARDING OPERATING EXPERIENCES WITH RUBBER DIAPHRAM VALVES IN THE JAPAN RESEARCH REACTOR NO. 2. JAERI SAID THAT JRR-2 WENT CRITICAL IN 1960 AND THAT THE VALVE MANUFACTURER (FOR DIAPHRAM VALVES) WAS HILLS MCCANNA. NO QUOTE SERIOUS ACCIDENTS UNQUOTE OCCURRED BUT TROUBLES WITH THE VALVES BEGAN AROUND THE YEAR 1967. AT THAT TIME THE DIAPHRAM VALVES DEVELOPED CRACKS AND LEAKS DUE TO CORROSION OF ALUMINUM AT CONTACT SURFACES AND LEAKS DUE TO ELECTROLYTIC CORROSION OF FLANGES. SOME BUT NOT ALL OF THE VALVES AND SOME VALVE PARTS WERE REPLACED.

2. JAERI IS STILL STUDYING THE PROBLEM AND PROMISED FURTHER INFO TO TOKYO AEC IN NEAR FUTURE.  
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